

## DEMS AND GOP BATTLE ON THE COURT

**12th Congressional Basketball Classic**  
**Democrats vs. Republicans**  
**Tuesday, March 28, 2006, 7 p.m. Doors open at 6 p.m.**  
**Field House**  
**Admission: Free**  
**Team Captains:**  
 Mike Oxley (R-Ohio) • Ron Kind (D-Wisc.)  
**Announcer:**  
 Marty Russo, Former Illinois Congressman (1975-1993)  
**NBA Celebrity Coaches:**  
 Bob Lanier, Fighting Elephants • Mike Glenn, Dunkin' Donkeys  
**Game History: 1987-2004**  
 Fighting Elephants (R) Wins: 6  
 Dunkin' Donkeys (D) Wins: 5

## Mark your calendar!



### THE CAMPAIGN FOR GALLAUDET'S FUTURE

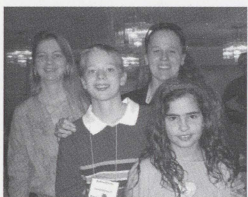
President I. King Jordan and Mrs. Linda K. Jordan  
 cordially invite you to join them  
 for

### The Campaign for Gallaudet's Future Kick-Off Celebration

Wednesday, March 29, 2006  
 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Kellogg Conference Hotel at Gallaudet University Ballroom  
 Refreshments and Entertainment  
 Remarks at 11:45 a.m.

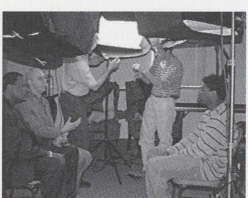
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## Cheryl Heppner and Pamela Lloyd join Board of Trustees

**C**elia May Baldwin, interim  
 chair of the Gallaudet  
 University Board of  
 Trustees, announced the  
 appointments of two new mem-  
 bers: Cheryl Heppner and  
 Pamela Lloyd. The selection of  
 the new members received the  
 unanimous approval of the  
 trustees at their February meet-  
 ing.

Heppner is the executive  
 director of the Northern  
 Virginia Resource Center for  
 Deaf and Hard of Hearing  
 Persons, an organization devo-  
 ted to the empowerment of deaf  
 and hard of hearing individuals  
 and their families through edu-  
 cation, advocacy, and community  
 involvement. Prior to her cur-

rent position, she was an out-  
 reach specialist for the Virginia  
 Department for the Deaf and  
 Hard of Hearing, a public rela-  
 tions consultant, and an  
 instructor at Shenandoah  
 University in Winchester, Va.  
 She serves as vice chair of the  
 Deaf and Hard of Hearing  
 Consumer Advocacy Network,  
 a national coalition of organiza-  
 tions of, by, and for deaf, hard  
 of hearing, late-deafened, and  
 deaf-blind individuals. Heppner  
 has been a member of numer-  
 ous national, state, regional, and  
 local advocacy organizations  
 working to raise public aware-  
 ness and influence policy and  
 legislation on issues affecting  
 deaf and hard of hearing people

and their families. Heppner  
 earned a degree in journalism  
 from Penn State University.

Lloyd is the program admin-  
 istrator of Telecommunications  
 Access of North Carolina. In  
 this capacity she oversees three  
 programs: the Sprint contract  
 for Relay and CapTel services,  
 Emergency Awareness Program,  
 and the Telecommunication  
 Equipment Distribution  
 Program. From 1993-97 she  
 served as president of the  
 National Black Deaf Advocates,  
 following a term as president of  
 the New York City Black Deaf  
 Advocates and as an active  
 member of both the Atlanta  
 Black Deaf Advocates and the

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## Exhibit of works by 19th century deaf photographers the Allen sisters coming to campus; lectures on the Allens slated as next installments in I. King Jordan Lecture Series



Frances and Mary Allen, "Constance,"  
 platinum print, 1897. Courtesy of Memorial  
 Hall Museum, Deerfield, Mass.

**A**lthough deaf sisters  
 Frances and Mary  
 Allen were once praised  
 as being among "The Foremost  
 Women Photographers in  
 America," few people today  
 have seen their work. Examples  
 revealing the depth of their tal-  
 ent will be displayed in a travel-  
 ing exhibit of 50 platinum  
 prints of country scenes, figure  
 and child studies, and land-  
 scapes of New England,  
 California, and Great Britain  
 that will be in the newly named  
 Linda K. Jordan Gallery at the  
 Washburn Arts Center from  
 March 22 to May 15.

In addition, on April 5 and  
 6, insights to the lives and  
 careers of these extraordinary  
 women will be discussed by Dr.  
 Brenda Brueggemann, coordi-  
 nator of the American Sign

Language Program and the  
 Disability Studies Minor at The  
 Ohio State University, and a  
 member of Gallaudet's Board of  
 Trustees, and Suzanne Flynt,  
 since 1982 the curator responsi-  
 ble for museum collections at  
 Memorial Hall Museum,  
 Deerfield, Mass. Their presenta-  
 tions are part of the continuing  
 I. King Jordan Lecture Series.

At the first lecture, at 11  
 a.m. in the Kellogg Conference  
 Hotel's Swindells Auditorium,  
 Flynt, author of *The Allen  
 Sisters: Pictorial Photographers  
 1885-1920*, and curator of the  
 exhibition of the same name  
 that is coming to Gallaudet,  
 will present the story of the  
 Allens' lives through their pho-  
 tographs.

Working within the aesthetic  
 of the Arts and Crafts Movement,  
 Frances and Mary Allen created  
 exquisite photographs. Their  
 pictorial photographs were  
 included in important turn-of-  
 the-last-century exhibitions  
 such as The Washington Salon  
 and Art Photographic  
 Exhibition, 1896; Third  
 International Congress of  
 Photography, Paris, 1900; and  
 the Third Philadelphia  
 Photographic Salon, 1900.

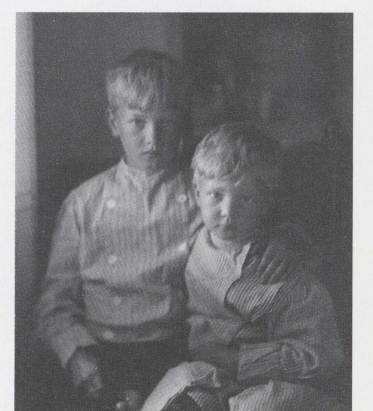
Flynt has served as  
 Massachusetts Field Researcher  
 for the National Portrait  
 Gallery. Most recently she  
 curated the permanent  
 Memorial Hall Museum instal-  
 lation "Poetry to the Earth: The  
 Arts and Crafts Movement."  
 Her previous publications  
 include *Hadley Chests, with Phil*

*Zea* (1992), and *Family, Home  
 and Place: Nineteenth Century  
 Prints* (1990).

The following day, at 1 p.m.  
 in Swindells Auditorium,  
 Brueggemann will analyze what it  
 would have meant to be a deaf  
 woman photographer at the  
 turn of the last century in a  
 presentation entitled "Deaf  
 Eyes: The Allen Sisters Pictorial  
 Photography, 1885-1920."

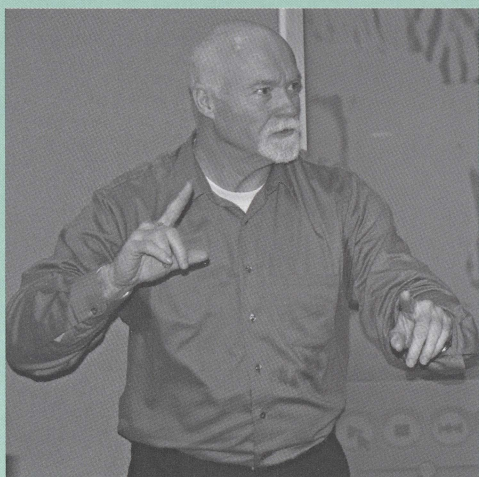
Brueggemann's remarks will  
 work from several different con-  
 texts as she explores potential  
 answers to that question. First,  
 she will focus on the sisters  
 themselves with a biographical  
 sketch. Then, she will briefly  
 discuss the context of their pho-  
 tographic work. Next, she will  
 describe Deerfield, Mass., from  
 1885-1920, and offer some  
 background about women and  
 photography in general during  
 this particular period in  
 American (and international)

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Frances and Mary Allen, "Carl and Mark  
 Allen," platinum print, 1897. Courtesy of  
 Memorial Hall Museum, Deerfield, Mass.





Dr. Jeffrey Davis of the University of Tennessee, an interpreter, teacher, and researcher in the fields of signed language linguistics and interpretation for the past 25 years (and a Gallaudet faculty member from 1987 to 1990 in the former Department of Linguistics and Interpretation), provides an ethno-historical overview and comparative linguistic assessment of traditional and contemporary sign language varieties (distinct from ASL) used by North American Indian groups. The February 22 lecture was a continuation of the Linguistics Lecture Series, made possible with support by the Gallaudet Research Institute. On February 24, Davis presented "A Rosetta Stone Approach to Translating Native American Sign Language," the second offering

in the spring semester Interpretation Lecture Series. This presentation focused on documentary materials collected from archival sources that represent a type of "Rosetta Stone" to translate and create wider access to Northern American Indian Sign Language—a little known and often overlooked part of Native American culture and history. The Interpretation Lecture Series is sponsored by the Gallaudet University Department of Interpretation, the Gallaudet Research Institute, Potomac Chapter Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf, and the Regional Interpreter Education Center at Gallaudet.

## Ask Aunt Sophie

Dear Aunt Sophie,

Here's my beef with the *Daily Digest*: it's got too much stuff in it and I don't have the time or the interest to read it every day. Can't they [PR, I guess] make it simpler or more streamlined? I only want to read the things that are of interest to me, not all that other stuff.

Busy Bee

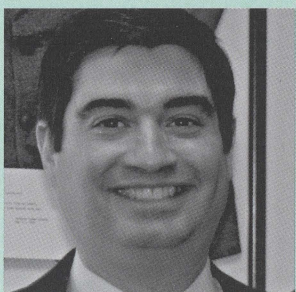
Dear BB,

Auntie trusts you poured out your little heart regarding this topic on the survey recently disseminated by PR. If so, I'm sure the good people in that celebrated unit are at this very moment slapping their foreheads in unabashed amazement over your insightful comments and sug-

gestions. Or not. Anyway, your remarks about not having the time to read the *Digest*, and that you only wish to read things in which you are interested, struck me as shortsighted in the extreme. The point of the daily missive is not only to provide each of us with a one-stop summary of news and events, it also is about giving readers a true sense of the wonderful diversity of happenings on this campus. One should come away after reading the *Digest* glowing over the realization that she or he is member of such a vibrant university community! So, no more talk about not having the time for the *Daily Digest*. Read it and glow.

## Roving Reporter

This month marks the 18th anniversary of Deaf President Now. Where were you when DPN happened, and how has it influenced your life?



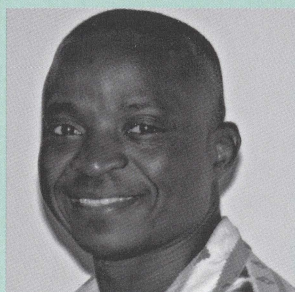
"I was one of the Ducks, so I was there from day one, from the night the protest started (I think I got some sleep that week, but I'm not sure!). DPN has taught me that ANYTHING is possible, if you work hard enough for it!"

Fred Weiner, special assistant to the president for planning



"At that time, I was living in Korea. I moved to the U.S. when I was 12 and first learned about DPN in high school, in a deaf history class. It has definitely changed my life as far as access and meeting my needs. But more than just my life, it has changed the lives of all deaf people."

Sung Park, ITS web designer/Apple technician



"In 1988, I was in Nigeria, planning to fly to Gallaudet, but it was not possible. DPN has strongly influenced my life because Dr. Jordan is my supporter. I first learned about him when I came for Deaf Way II and now it is because of him and Linda Jordan that I am here."

Hilary Allumaga, student



"I was 14 and in Utah, and I thought it was the greatest thing in the world. I got to see that there were other people out there like me who signed, and who could be intellectuals and academics. It gave me the dream of coming to Gallaudet."

Barbara Jensen, student

## Clerc Center Happenings

### KDES students sweep top places in Optimist Club contest

By Susan M. Flanigan

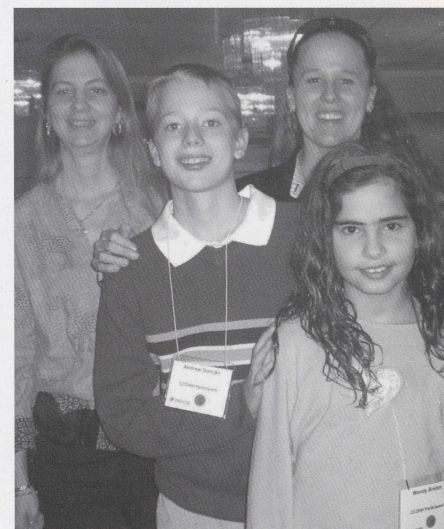
KDES students Wendy Brehm, from Team 1/2/3, and Andrew Duncan, from Team 6/7/8, won first place in the elementary (1st-6th grade) and secondary levels (7th-12th grade), respectively, in the Optimist Club of Virginia's Communication Contest for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing. Each student will receive a \$1,500 college scholarship.

Brehm and Duncan were among six KDES students who competed in the February 11 event in Fredericksburg, Va. The theme of this year's contest was "My Future is Bright."

Patterned after the Optimist Oratorical Contest, the Communication Contest for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing offers deaf and hard of hearing youth the chance to compete in speech or sign language. The objective is to encourage deaf and hard of hearing children and teens to speak publicly, to build self-confidence, and to promote an interest in writing. Nearly 300 clubs are actively involved in the program this year.

Elizabeth Hall, KDES teacher and contest representative, praised the value of contest participation, "I love doing this [contest] because it increases the students' interest and motivation to write. They learn to write about a topic, chosen by the Optimist Club, learn how to break down their paper into paragraphs, learn how to use public speaking skills, learn to speak out their feelings on a particular topic, and most of all, they have fun."

Here is an excerpt from Brehm's winning essay: "My future is bright because I have a very special brother who is five



Pictured at the Optimist Club regional contest were (from left) Elizabeth Hall, Andrew Duncan, Stacey Pederson (ASL/deaf culture specialist, who assisted in preparing the students for the contest), and Wendy Brehm.

and teaches me a lot of things. His name is Miguel, and we adopted him from Ecuador. He has problems developing language. It is very interesting to have an adopted and deaf brother. He teaches me a lot about being patient.... Sometimes I help him learn how to communicate, and sometimes we really play well together. Other times are not so easy."

Here is an excerpt from Duncan's winning essay: "I would like to be a lawyer for the deaf, for the disabled, and work in special education rights. I know it is a challenge for me, but with hard work and determination, I have confidence to help others."

The other KDES participants were Emmanuel Njoku, Brennan Terhune-Cotter, Shadaye White, and Marquita Whitfield. ■

## ON THE GREEN

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Office for Students with Disabilities (OSWD) Coordinator Dr. Patricia Tesar and OSWD Director Edgar Palmer (left) are shown with Mark Moverman, head of the Math and Sciences Department at the Lab School of Washington, D.C., following Moverman's presentation at a March 3 math learning disabilities forum for faculty and staff. The event, entitled "Strategies for Teaching Students with Math Learning Disabilities," was the second OSWD-sponsored forum this year. The forums were coordinated by Tesar and focused on serving and teaching students with learning disabilities. They attracted more than 100 on-campus professionals and administrators who attended to gain insight on teaching and providing accommodations to assist these college students in reaching their academic goals. According to Tesar, students with learning disabilities represent the fastest growing disability group at Gallaudet—about 38 percent of OSWD's caseload. Some of the points covered by Moverman were: the definition of a math learning disability, what common types of math learning problems are exhibited by diagnosed students, and strategies and accommodations that help students with math learning disabilities learn more effectively.

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## Traveling photo exhibit

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history. Brueggemann will then have the audience take a visual-commercial break by looking at some of the sisters' photography and place these photographs in four major (often overlapping) categories. These works, for Brueggemann, are greatly influenced by contexts of gender, history, and disability.

Finally, Brueggemann will conclude with the part of her talk that serves as the primary title: "Deaf Eyes." In this part, she will review some of the context of the gender and history section with a "deaf lens" or filter laid over it as well.

Brueggemann is the author of *Lend Me Your Ear: Rhetorical Constructions of Deafness* and essays and articles on pedagogy, qualitative research, literacy, rhetoric, deaf and disability studies. She is co-editor of and contributor to *Disability Studies: Enabling the Humanities*, and series editor of *Deaf Lives* (autobiography and biography) for Gallaudet University

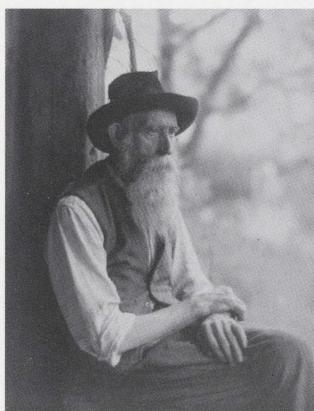


Frances and Mary Allen, "Dorothy and Vera," platinum print, 1909. Courtesy of Memorial Hall Museum, Deerfield, Mass.

Press. Brueggemann is a recipient of OSU's Kathryn Schoen Award (2000) for Women in Academic Leadership and the OSU Distinguished Diversity Enhancement Award (2001) as well as an Ohio Humanities Council grant, OSU Seed Grant, and Coca-Cola Foundation for Research on Women grant.

Anyone needing close vision interpreting for either lecture should contact [audrey.young@gallaudet.edu](mailto:audrey.young@gallaudet.edu).

Gallaudet established the I. King Jordan Lecture Series to honor President Jordan's many years of distinguished service at the University. One of the hallmarks of Dr. Jordan's presidency has been his commitment to academic excellence. In recognition of his leadership in achieving excellence, speakers who have made outstanding contributions in their fields are being invited to address the Gallaudet community throughout this year. Local, national, and international scholars and leaders—including those from Gallaudet—will be part of this series. ■



Frances and Mary Allen, "Day's Work Done," platinum print, 1915. Courtesy of Memorial Hall Museum, Deerfield, Mass.



Bobby Loeffler (second from left) as the television crew was setting up. The crew also videotaped the Bison's game against St. Mary's College, a 72-53 win. The segment will run next on March 19 at 10 a.m. on HBO.

A production crew from HBO's "Real Sports with Bryant Gumbel" visited Gallaudet's campus February 9 to profile the University's men's basketball team. Correspondent James Brown (left), formerly of "FOX NFL Sunday" and a Washington, D.C., native, interviewed Athletics Director and men's basketball head coach James DeStefano and several players. He grabbed a moment to get to know senior co-captain Robert Haney, Jr. (right) with the help of GIS interpreter

## Administration & Finance

### Inventory of equipment

Each year the University has an external auditing firm perform an audit. One of the recommendations the auditor made last year was that the University take physical inventory of equipment costing \$5,000 or more at the time of purchase.

The Finance Office has assigned the inventory task to a student intern who has been visiting departments with a list of equipment in this price range. If he can locate all the items on his list in one visit, then the process is complete until next year. However, if a particular item has been discarded, picked up by the Distribution Center, or otherwise traded in for a new piece of equipment, he asks the department to complete an Equipment Inventory Form, which can be found online at: [af.gallaudet.edu/delivery.html](http://af.gallaudet.edu/delivery.html).

The Finance Office thanks all departments visited for their cooperation in accomplishing this task.

### Not exactly Stuart Little

Mice—some people think they're cute; others have them for pets; there are even movies made about them. But there is nothing cute about mice invading your living or working area. They can jump 12 inches off the floor. Mice can reach speeds of 4 to 6 miles per hour and bound across 3-foot gaps. They can squeeze through an opening slightly larger than 1/4 inch in diameter. Mice are attracted to buildings when they detect openings and escaping heat. When they are driven out of one area, they look for

another home. They seldom venture more than 50 feet from their source of food and water, but will leave their nest as much as 40 times a day in search of food. Keeping up with them is a full-time job.

Because of building renovation, changes to the landscape, and a mild winter, Gallaudet mice are on the move. PPD has several trained exterminators on campus and they work diligently to control the rodent population on campus, but they cannot do it alone. They need everyone's help in keeping working or living areas clean and less desirable to these furry creatures. Here are some things you can do to help:

- Keep debris (newspapers, trash, clutter) under control, raising it at least 8 inches off the floor and away from the wall, if possible.
- Keep food in metal containers—they can chew through plastic.
- Empty trash cans once or twice a day.
- Keep your floor free of crumbs. (It doesn't take much to feed a mouse.)
- Ask your co-workers or dorm neighbors to join in the clean-up. If they have mice, you'll have mice!
- Report any rodent sighting to PPD via the online work request form, [ppd.gallaudet.edu](http://ppd.gallaudet.edu).

Being pro-active in our efforts to control (they will never totally be eliminated) rodent infestation on campus will go a long way in making Kendall Green a pleasant place to work and live. ■

## Student Affairs

### 'It's Not About the Board'

By Catherine Abbott, CRE,  
Campus Life Office

*"The ultimate risks are the ones we fail to take. Too often we believe that moving beyond our fears and limiting beliefs is a lifetime endeavor. The truth is that change happens in an instant, in a moment of decision and commitment. THAT MOMENT IS NOW!"*

Dr. Maura J. Cullen

\*Crack\* \*boom\* \*cheers\* \*inspired expressions\* were the responses to the motivational activity, "It's Not About the Board," provided by the coordinators of residence education (CREs) to the resident assistants (RAs) during the RA winter training retreat at Lions Camp Merrick in Nanjemoy, Md.

The CREs were inspired by this activity by Dr. Maura J. Cullen, the motivational keynote speaker at the Mid-Atlantic Association of College and University Housing Officers conference they attended in November. "It's Not About the Board" helps participants realize goals, acknowledge the barriers toward realizing those goals, and commit to overcoming those barriers.

Not only did we want to provide

motivational incentive to our RAs, we wanted to create bonding opportunities for them. Even if the RAs already knew each other, they felt uncomfortable in the camp situation because it was new and different from the everyday Gallaudet campus experience. This activity allowed them to break down the barriers, and therefore help develop rapport and relationships.

The "crack," "boom," "cheers," and "inspired expressions" referred to above were the noises produced as each RA broke a one-inch thick wooden board karate-style as a personal metaphor for breaking through. On the front of the board they wrote about a fear, habit, or obstacle they were determined to move beyond in their lives. On the other side of the board they described the feelings, accomplishments, and positive changes they would create for themselves and those they loved when they successfully broke through. The support and energy in the room during the board breaking flew right off the charts! This activity has now become a new tradition for Campus Life. If you want to try this activity, come and join the Campus Life team! ■



## Campus Calendar

### March

**20**—Women's History Month presentation with Deborah DeStefano, SUB MPR, noon-1 p.m.

**21**—Scholar's Forum, HMB E-150, noon-1 p.m.; Distinguished Faculty Lecture: Dr. Shirley Shultz Myers, Foster Auditorium, 1-3 p.m.; Women's History Month Multicultural Student Programs' Women's Panel, SUB MPR, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

**22**—Gallaudet University Press Institute Conference: "Revolutions in Sign Language Studies: Linguistics, Literature, Literacy," Kellogg Conference Hotel, 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.; Women's History Month presentation with Donald Ammons, SUB MPR, noon-1 p.m.

**23**—"Crossroads: An Asian-American Deaf Woman's Journey," presentation by Karen Tung-Bregman, president of the National Asian Deaf Congress, SUB MPR, noon-1 p.m.

**24**—Women's History Month

presentation with Mary Lott, "Deaf Women Leadership," SUB MPR, noon-1 p.m.

**27**—Women's History Month presentation with Tabitha Jacques, SUB MPR, noon-1 p.m.

**28**—New Gallaudet faculty and staff meeting, HMB E-150, 12-1 p.m.; 12th Congressional Basketball Classic—"DEMS and GOP battle on the court," Field House, 7 p.m. (doors open at 6 p.m.)

**29**—The Campaign for Gallaudet's Future Kick-Off Celebration; Kellogg Conference Hotel Ballroom, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.; Women's History Month presentation with Sara Robinson, SUB Flex A, noon-1 p.m.

**30**—First Year Experience Teleconference 2006 #2: "Cultivating Campus Cultures that Value Student Success," SAC 1011 (Theater), 1-3 p.m.

**31**—Women's History Month's luncheon and skit, "101 Reasons Women are Better Than Men," SUB MPR, noon-1 p.m.

## Women's History Month kicks off with the theme of 'The Power Within'

Dr. Jane Norman, diversity fellow for Academic Affairs and a professor in the Department of Communication Studies, started off a series of Women's History Month events with an inspirational presentation at a March 3 luncheon.

Norman, who recently traveled the globe studying works by deaf filmmakers, encouraged attendees to follow the example of these artists and others who have worked toward a more just world: name the problems in your society and dismantle systems of oppression.

Norman's presentation drew on her vast experience as a director, media expert, activist, and teacher. As a graduate student at New York University (NYU) during the Vietnam War, Norman joined in war protests. "I actually wish I had photos from that time," Norman laughed, "but I used to walk around with wild, bushy hair I'd braid the night before and an old warm fur coat from a thrift store. I thought I was 'hot stuff.'"

After earning a bachelor's degree from Gallaudet in English literature, Norman spent two years as a member of the internationally known National Theatre of the Deaf working as a technician and actor while attending graduate school at NYU. After her graduation, Norman moved to San Francisco where she focused on media breakthrough for sign language and deaf people on television.

In 1985, Norman returned to Gallaudet to begin a long and successful career working in media and teaching. She recalled the experience of a lifetime, handling media during Deaf President Now (DPN), a point in history when, she said, "we took control of our destiny." To this day, Norman has continued to stay active and on the forefront of deaf theater and film. She has written and directed many plays, won several Emmy awards, and presented at numerous conferences and events.

While DPN was an important turning



Dr. Jane Norman (second from left), who kicked off a series of Women's History Month activities on the theme of "The Power Within" at a March 3 luncheon, is shown with some of the people who made the event possible. Pictured (from left) are: ASL major Megan Matovich, chair of the planning committee; Norman; Mary Lott, coordinator of Campus Activities; and Elvia Guillermo, coordinator of Multicultural Student Programs.

point, it was not the end of the struggle. Norman, as DPN media director, noted two African Americans—Lottie Crook and Jeff Bowden—who met with the DPN council on day eight to discuss race back in 1988. "They were not heard," said Norman. To this day, most organizations of deaf people are primarily white and do not include deaf people of color.

Tackling problems like audism and racism is not easy, and Norman is the first to admit that. Norman said that as a white woman, "I struggle with my own racism and see my own white privilege." Being a diversity fellow is "the greatest challenge of my career, the greatest challenge of my life."

Norman has examined the lack of people of color in deaf organizations and determined that national groups do not generally address issues specifically related to underrepresented groups. She has taken note of the themes explored at deaf film festivals. Many show pride in deaf culture, and join the league of provocative work by the likes of Spike Lee, Michael Moore, and *Children of a Lesser God* director Randi Hanes.

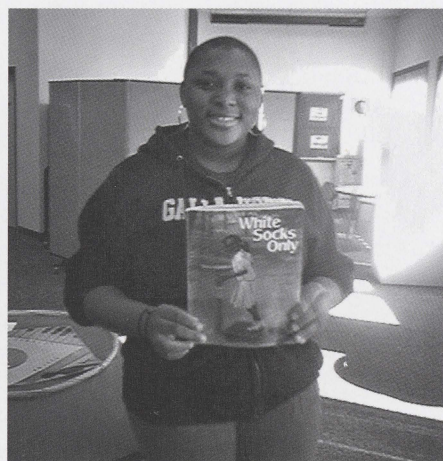
Arguably the most important word in Norman's presentation was 'dismantle.' To take apart systems of audism, racism, and sexism, she stressed that one must be involved in others' struggles. "If we can't understand other people's oppression," Norman said, "how can we expect others to understand ours?"

For more information on upcoming Women's History Month events, see Campus Calendar, this page. ■

## Among Ourselves

At the February 2006 conference of the Association of College Educators of Deaf/Hard of Hearing, the professional organization for university faculty members involved in preparing teachers of deaf students, Dr. David Martin, professor/dean emeritus, was presented with the association's Lifetime Achievement Award. Martin currently lives in Massachusetts and is adjunct professor at several different Boston-area universities.

## BDSU hosts month full of presentations and events



Student Callie Frye displays the book *White Socks Only*, which she read to KDES students as part of the BDSU's Black History Month events.

The Black Deaf Student Union (BDSU) packed February full of events in honor of the national Black History Month.

BDSU president Niesha Washington offered some highlights of the month. One of the first events was "The Rosa Lee Show," a one-woman multimedia presentation named for its dynamic creator and performer. Washington, who was mistress of ceremonies for the event,

said there was a full house and the performance "was awesome."

Later in the month, student Callie Frye read in ASL the story *White Socks Only*, a book about an African American girl in the segregated South, to KDES students. "Motivated students asked a lot of questions and enjoyed learning about it," Washington said.

Several Gallaudet faculty and staff members presented on a range of subjects throughout the month. Presentations included "The Black Deaf Community" by Dr. Carolyn McCaskill, diversity fellow for Academic Affairs; a panel discussion entitled "A Real Black Deaf Man" facilitated by Slemo Warigon, director of audit and management advisory services; "Racism and Audism" by Dr. Laurene Simms, associate professor in the Department of Education; and "Leadership in the Black Deaf Community" by Lindsay Dunn, special assistant for advocacy in the President's Office.

Washington said she is grateful to those who eagerly offered to contribute and educate the Gallaudet community. ■

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Rochester Black Deaf Advocates. Lloyd obtained a B.A. degree in social work from the Rochester Institute of Technology and an M.A. degree in deafness rehabilitation from New York University. She also completed the deafness rehabilitation administrative post-master's degree program at San Diego

State University. She is currently a member of the National Black Deaf Advocates Board and of the National Association of the Deaf Fulton III Steering Committee. Lloyd is a native of New York City.

Heppner and Lloyd will attend their first Board of Trustees meeting in October. "We are delighted that Ms. Heppner and Ms. Lloyd are joining the University's Board of Trustees. Both bring a depth of knowledge and experience that will greatly benefit Gallaudet for many years to come," said Baldwin. ■